



LEROY D. BACA, SHERIFF

County of Los Angeles
Sheriff's Department Headquarters
4700 Ramona Boulevard
Monterey Park, California 91754-2169



November 13, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**AUTHORIZE THE SHERIFF TO ACCEPT A GRANT AWARD FROM
THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR THE
GANG AND NARCOTICS ENFORCEMENT TEAM (GANET) PROJECT
AND APPROVE AN APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT
(ALL DISTRICTS) (4 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff of Los Angeles County, as an agent for the County, to sign and accept a grant award in the amount of \$1,650,000 from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) for the purposes of establishing an intelligence-led, data-driven, multi-jurisdictional response to violent crime and gangs.
2. Authorize the Sheriff to execute all future amendments, modifications, extensions, and/or augmentations to said grant, should such action(s) be required during the term of the grant.
3. Approve an appropriation adjustment to increase the Sheriff's Department's Detective Services Budget Unit in the amount of \$1,340,000 (Salaries and Employee Benefits - \$1,110,000, and Services and Supplies - \$230,000), and the Sheriff's Department's Patrol Budget Unit in the amount of \$310,000 (Salaries and Employee Benefits), for FY 2007-08, to be offset by grant funding, and authorize under the provisions of County Code Section 6.06.020 ordinance authority for the additional positions of one lieutenant, one sergeant, six deputies and one station clerk to be formally established as part of the Department's FY 2007-08 budget.

A Tradition of Service

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 25, 2007, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) submitted an application in response to the FY 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary grant solicitation. Upon review of the Department's application, the BJA has selected the Department to be a recipient of the FY 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grant award. As a recipient of this award, the Department will receive \$1,650,000, under Category 1, Targeting Violent Crime, for the Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team (GANET), with no local match required. This is the first year the Department has received funding under this program.

The objective of the 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grant Program is to assist state and local jurisdictions in improving the criminal justice system and assist communities in preventing drug abuse and crime. In FY 2007, the Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Grant Program will focus on funding local, regional, and national efforts within six major categories: 1) targeting violent crime; 2) preventing crime and drug abuse; 3) enhancing local law enforcement; 4) enhancing local courts; 5) enhancing local corrections and offender reentry; and 6) facilitating justice information sharing. All categories combat, address, or otherwise respond to precipitous or extraordinary increases in crime, or in a specific type or types of crime.

In order to successfully achieve the objectives of the program, the Department, through its Narcotics Bureau and in partnership with other County Departments and various Federal agencies, will use this funding to support GANET, as it addresses the ongoing challenges of increasing gang-related crime centering on and around narcotics distribution. This grant will support an intelligence-led, data driven, multi-agency response to the narcotics related gang problem, which plagues Los Angeles County.

The primary goal of GANET will be to facilitate multi-jurisdictional investigations and integrate multiple agencies for the purpose of enhancing interagency coordination and intelligence to reduce gang activity centered around street, mid-and-upper-level illicit drug sales. Sheriff's deputies will conduct comprehensive drug investigations based on intelligence provided by local, state, and Federal data sources and will collaborate on concurrent investigations which require their expertise.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goal

The 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Program supports three (3) goals within the County of Los Angeles' Strategic Goals. With the support of this funding source, the Department will realize the achievement of Goal 5, Children and

Families' Well-Being; Goal 6, Community Services, as it improves the quality of life for residents of Los Angeles County; and Goal 8, Public Safety, as well as maintain the safety and security of the residents of Los Angeles County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The appropriation adjustment to increase the Department's Detective Budget Unit and Patrol Budget Unit in the amount of \$1,340,000 and \$310,000 respectively for FY 2007-08, will be fully offset by grant funds.

The term of the 2007 Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Program is for a period of 12 months, from October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008. Under this program, the BJA will provide \$1,650,000 funding to the Department.

Under this program, the County is not required to contribute any matching funds.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In order to execute the GANET Program, a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, and various identified Federal agencies will be sought, which will outline the purpose and terms of the agreement for the implementation of the GANET Program. The MOU is currently being negotiated and drafted.

This Board letter and award documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The award of \$1,650,000 in grant funding will have a positive impact on current services as it provides the Department's Narcotics Bureau the fiscal ability to fund a team of investigators to address the ongoing challenges of increasing gang-related crime centering on and around narcotics distribution.

The project-funded staff will include nine (9) members of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, consisting of one lieutenant, one sergeant, six deputies and one station clerk, as well as one Los Angeles County Probation Officer II and a portion for one Los Angeles County Deputy District Attorney III.

The program may create workload increases for the County's justice departments, including the Public Defender and the Alternate Public Defender as suspects are

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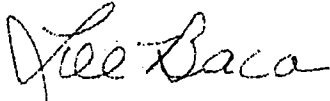
identified and subsequently charged with a crime. The County Public Defender's Office and the Alternate Public Defender's Office will not be able to measure the impact at this time as actual cases have not been filed.

This Board letter has been reviewed and cleared by the affected County Departments.

CONCLUSION

Upon Board approval, please return four (4) individually certified copies of the Board-adopted letter to the Department's Grants Unit. The Department's contacts for the requested Board action are Peter Zavala, Grants Unit Manager at (323) 526-5212 and Abby Valdez, Grants Coordinator at (323) 526-5705.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Leroy D. Baca".

LEROY D. BACA
SHERIFF

Los Angeles County Chief Administrative Office

Grant Management Statement for Grants Exceeding \$100,000

Department: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Grant Project Title and Description

Category I: Targeting Violent Crime:
Gang and Narcotics Enforcement Team (GANET) Program.

This grant will lead an intelligence-led, data driven, multi-agency response to the narcotics related gang problem which plagues Los Angeles County. The primary goal of GANET will be to facilitate multi-jurisdictional investigations and integrate multi-agencies for the purpose of enhancing interagency coordination and intelligence to reduce gang activity centered around, street, mid-and-upper level illicit drug sales.

Funding Agency

Bureau of Justice Assistance
(BJA)

Program (Fed. Grant # /State Bill or Code #)

Fed. Grant Award #2007-DD-BX-0642

Grant Acceptance Deadline

November 10, 2007

Total Amount of Grant Funding: \$1,650,000

County Match Requirements: 0

Grant Period: 12 months

Begin Date: October 1, 2007

End Date: September 30, 2008

Number of Personnel Hired Under This Grant: 9

Full Time 9

Part Time 0

Obligations Imposed on the County When the Grant Expires

Will all personnel hired for this program be informed this is a grant-funded program? Yes

Will all personnel hired for this program be placed on temporary ("N") items? Yes

Is the County obligated to continue this program after the grant expires? No

If the County is not obligated to continue this program after the grant expires, the Department will:

a). Absorb the program cost without reducing other services No

b). Identify other revenue sources Yes

(Describe) _____

c). Eliminate or reduce, as appropriate, positions/program costs funded by the grant. Yes

Impact of additional personnel on existing space: N/A

Other requirements not mentioned above: N/A

Department Head Signature

Lee Baca

Date

11/1/07

Board of Supervisors
November 1, 2007
10:00 AM

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT**

DEPT'S. 770
No.

DEPARTMENT OF

SHERIFF

November 1, 2007

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

-- 4 VOTES --
FISCAL YEAR 2007-08

SOURCES

Sheriff's Department - Patrol Budget Unit
A01-SH-90-9031-15681-15682
Federal Other - Federal Grants \$310,000
Increase Revenue

Sheriff's Department - Detective Budget Unit
A01-SH-90-9031-15681-15683
Federal Other - Federal Grants \$1,340,000
Increase Revenue

USES

Sheriff's Department - Patrol Budget Unit
A01-SH-1000-15681-15682
Salaries & Employee Benefits \$310,000
Increase Appropriation


Sheriff's Department - Detective Budget Unit
A01-SH-1000-15681-15683
Salaries & Employee Benefits \$1,110,000
Increase Appropriation

Sheriff's Department - Detective Budget Unit
A01-SH-2000-15681-15683
Services & Supplies \$230,000
Increase Appropriation

TOTAL \$1,650,000

\$1,650,000

JUSTIFICATION: Grant award from the United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), to conduct the Gang And Narcotics Enforcement Team (GANET) program. Grant award #2007-DD-BX-0642.


CONRAD MEREDITH, DIRECTOR, FINANCIAL PROGRAMS BUREAU

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

cc: Cynthia Evans

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR

ACTION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

AS REVISED

RECOMMENDATION

November 1, 2007

Jacqueline White

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER

BY

Barbara Harshaw

APPROVED (AS REVISED):
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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BY

DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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